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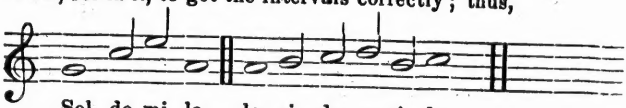
A FEW PLAIN RULES AND HINTS.

N. B. Let the Singers or Choir always solicit the presence of the Clergyman at the Practice, even if he be not gifted with musical ability.

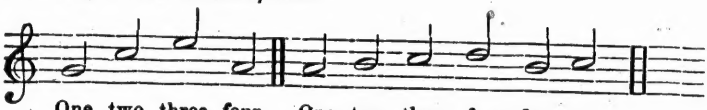
1. In all singing, let the music always give way to the meaning.
2. Attend to the punctuation.
3. First, learn the music thoroughly. It is a good plan for all the singers to sing over each part together, first the air, then the bass, then the alto and tenor.
4. In learning a chant, use the following method :

First, sol-fa it, to get the intervals correctly ; thus,



Sol do mi la la si do re si do

then sing it with numbers, thus:



One two three four. One two three four five six.

5. When the music is known, sing it first loudly, then softly, then sing it with increase and diminution at the discretion of the leader.

6. In chanting, the time depends very much on the sense : Bars (which are often introduced into modern editions of chants) produce a musical accent or emphasis on the notes two and four, which ought to be avoided.

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7. Next, read the passage to be (sung or) chanted, all together, (under the special direction of the Clergyman,) with close attention to the meaning, and spirit of the passage, until the voices become one voice.

8. Then you will be able to sing or chant both correctly and with good effect.

9. In practising, form a semi-circle, single or double, facing the conductor, thus: 1, the trebles. 2, the altos. 3, the tenors. 4, the basses.

10. Be careful to keep the lungs well filled. Take your breath frequently, but never audibly. In executing a lengthy passage which has no stops, let the singers take breath together, on some agreed emphatic word, but not audibly: and never in the middle of a word.

11. Avoid pausing at the end of the chant, unless the sense require it. Where there is a small stop between two verses, be very careful on this point. e. g.

For mine eyes have seen: thy salvation,
Which thou hast prepared, &c.

12. Where there is but one syllable on the reciting note, make the note short. e. g.

Ac - cording to thy word.
World - without end.
The - Father everlasting.

13. If the Choir be strong enough, and especially where the Congregation sing, the most desirable form in all church singing is, that they should sing alternately by sides. Then D in the following manual will mean the side, which is on the Clergyman's left hand, as he faces the Congregation in reading the Commandments. C those on his left. D.C. both together.

D.C. are the initials of two Latin words *Decáni*, *Cantóris*.

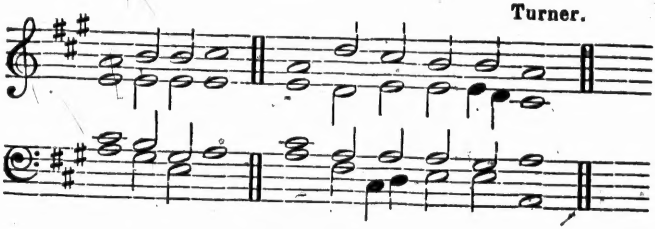
In commencing the use of this manual, sing the Chants for the first week, for three or four Sundays consecutively till they are quite familiar. Then sing those for the second week. Then use these two on alternate Sundays. Then sing those for the third week. Then sing the three in turn; and so with the fourth.

MORNING PRAYER.

First arrangement :—First Sunday in the month.

VENITE.

Turner.



(*Invitation.*)

D.C. O come, let us sing (1) un- . to . the . Lord : let us heartily rejoice (1) in the . strength . of . our . salvation.

D. Let us come before his presence . with . thanks . giving : and show ourselves . glad . in . him . with . psalms.

(*Reason of the Invitation.*)

C. For the Lord is a . great . . . God : and a great . King . a- . bove . all . gods.

D. In his hand are all the corners . of . the . earth : and the strength of the . hills . is . his . . . also.

C. The sea is his, . and . he . made it: and his hands (1) pre- . pa- . red . the . dry . land.

(Invitation and reason repeated.)

D. O come, let us worship, . and . fall . down: and kneel be- . fore . the . Lord . our . Maker.

C. For he is the . Lord, . our . God: and we are the people of his pasture, . and . the . sheep . of his . hand.

(Caution. See Ecclesiastes, chap. v. vers. 1. 2.)

D. To-day if ye will hear his voice, (2) harden . not . your . hearts: as in the provocation, (2) and as in the day of tempt- . a- . tion . (3) in . the . wilderness: (4)

C. When your fathers . tempt . ed . me: proved . me, . and . saw . my . works.

D. Forty years long was I grieved (3) with this gene- . ration, . (2) and . said: It is a people that do err in their hearts, (2) for they . have . not . known . my . ways.

C. Unto whom I sware . in . my . wrath: that they should not . enter . in- . to . my . rest.

D.C. Glory be to the Father, (2) and . to . the . Son: and . (5) to the . Ho- . ly . Ghost: (4)

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(1) Feel that you are all together on this word.
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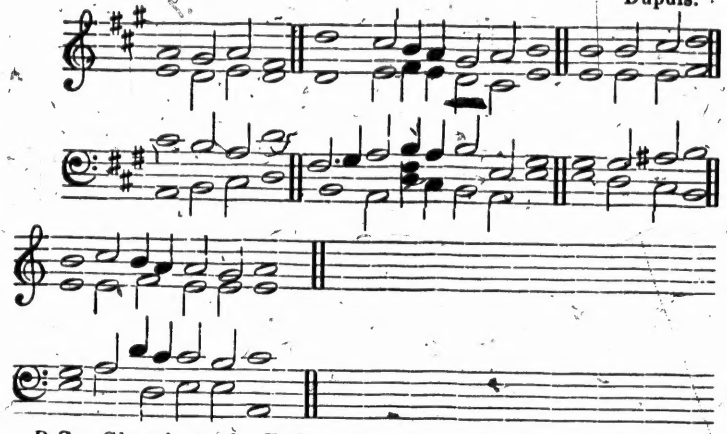
DOXOLOGY, AFTER EACH PSALM.

Dupuis.



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TE DEUM.

PART I. HYMN TO THE HOLY TRINITY.

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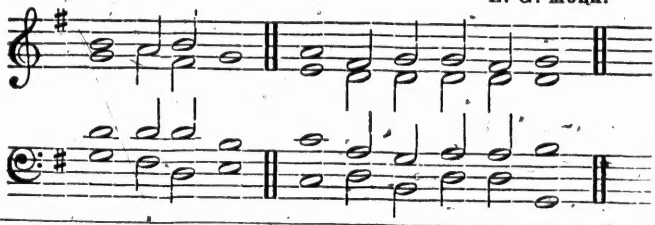

(2) Mind the stop, but don't pause too long on it.
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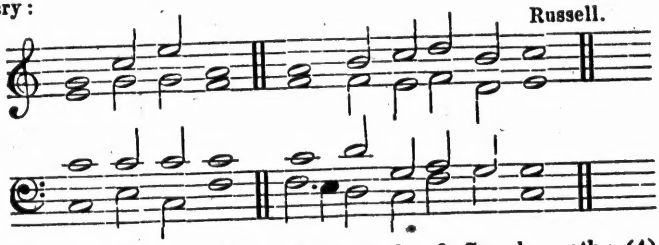
D.C. We praise . thee, . O . God : we acknowledge . thee . to . be . the . Lord.

C. All the earth doth . wor- . ship . Thee : the (5) . Fa - . ther . ev- . er . lasting.

D. To thee all Angels . cry . a- . loud : the Heavens, and . all . the . pow'rs . there- . in.

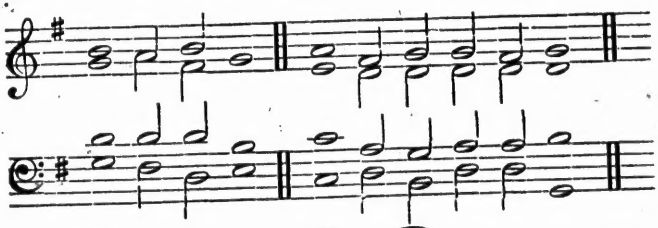
C. To thee Cherubim, and . Se- . ra- . phin : con- . tinu- . al- . ly . do . cry :

Russell.



D.C. Holy, . Ho- . ly, . Holy : Lord . God . of . Sa- . ba- . oth : (4)

D.C. Heaven and Earth are full . of . the . majesty : of . . . . . thy . Glory.



D. The glorious company . of . the A- . postles : D.C. praise . . Thee.

C. The goodly fellowship . of . the . Prophets : D.C. praise . . . Thee.

(4) Connect with the following verse.
(5) Make the word or syllable short.

D. The noble . army . of . Martyrs : D.C. praise . . . . . Thee.

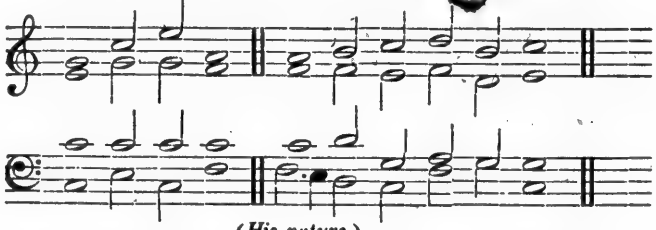
C. The holy Church (1) throughout . all . the . world : doth . . . ac- . know- . ledge . Thee . (4)

D. The (5) . Fa- . . . . . ther : of an . infi- . nite . ma- . jes- . ty : (4)

C. Thine (5) . honor- . able . true : and (5) . on- . . . . . ly . Son : (4)

D. Also the . Ho- . ly . Ghost : the (5) . Com- . . . . . fort- . er.

PART II. HYMN TO THE ETERNAL SON, OUR LORD.



(His nature.)

D.C. Thou art the . King . of . Glory. O . . . . . Christ.

D.C. Thou art the ever- . last- . ing . Son : of . . . . . the . Father.

(His work on earth for us.)

C. When thou takest upon Thee (1) to de- . li- . ver man : thou didst not ab- . hor . the . Vir- . gin's . womb.

D. When thou hadst overcome (1) the . sharpness . of . death : thou didst open the Kingdom (1) of . Heav'n . to . all . be- . lievers.

(His present exaltation, and coming in glory.)

C. Thou sittest at the right . hand . of . God : in the . glo- . ry . of . the . Father.

D. We believe that . thou . shalt . come : to (5) . be . . . our . Judge.

(1) Feel that you are all together on this word.
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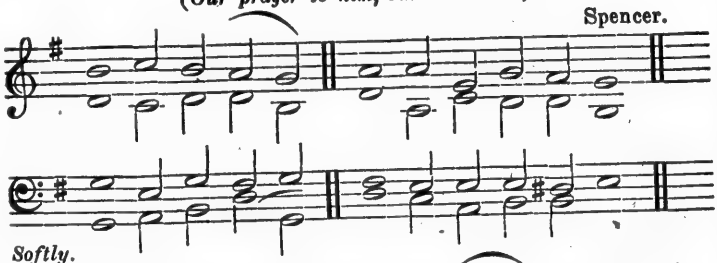
(Our prayer to him, our Mediator.)

Spencer.



Softly.

C. We therefore pray Thee, . help . thy . servants : whom thou hast redeemed . with . thy . pre- . cious . blood.

D. Make them to be numbered . with . thy . Saints : in (5) . glo- . ry . ev- . er- . lasting.

C. O Lord, . save . thy . people : and (5) . bless . thine . he- . ri- . tage.

D. Go- . . . vern . them : and (5) . lift . them . up . for . ever.

(Incidental profession.)

D.C. Day . . . by . day : we (5) . mag- . ni- . fy . . . Thee :

D.C. And we . worship . thy . name : ever . world . . . with- . out . end.

(Prayer resumed.)

C. Vouch (5) . safe, . O . Lord : to keep us . this . day . with- . out . sin.

D. O Lord, have . mercy . up- . on us : have (5) . mer- . cy . up- . on . us.

C. O Lord, let thy mercy . lighten . up- . on us : as (5) . our . trust . is . in . Thee.

D.C. O Lord, in Thee . have . I . trusted : let me . ne- . ver . be . con- . founded.

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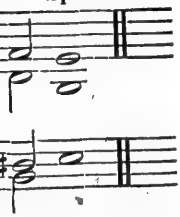

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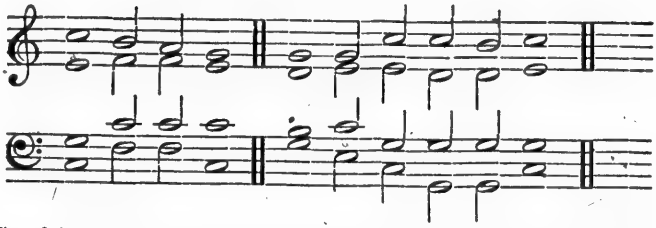
JUBILATE.

(General invitation to praise God.)



D.C. O be joyful in the Lord, . all . ye . lands : serve the Lord with gladness, (2) and come before his . pre- . sence . with . a . song.

* D. Be ye sure that the Lord . he . is . God : it is he that hath made us, (2) . and . not . we . our- . selves : (5)

* C. We . are . his . people : and the . sheep . . . of . his . pasture.

* D. O go your way into his gates . with . thanks- . giving ; and in- . to . his . courts . with . praise : (4)

* C. Be thankful . un- . to . him : and . speak . good . of . his . name.

D. For the Lord is gracious, (2) his mercy is . e- . ver- . lasting ; and his truth endureth (1) from gene- . ration (3) . to . ge- . ne- . ration.

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* This division is sanctioned by the Bishop of the Diocese.

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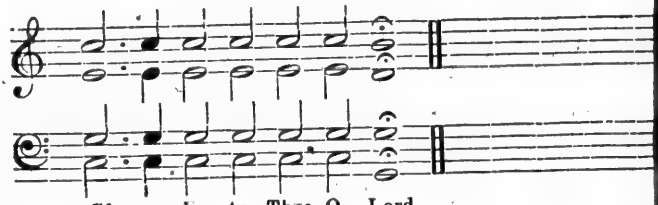
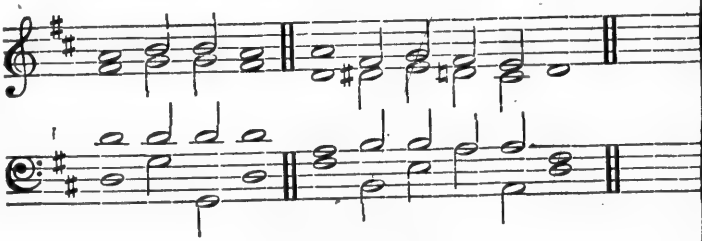


MORNING PRAYER.

Second arrangement :—Second Sunday of the Month.

VENITE.



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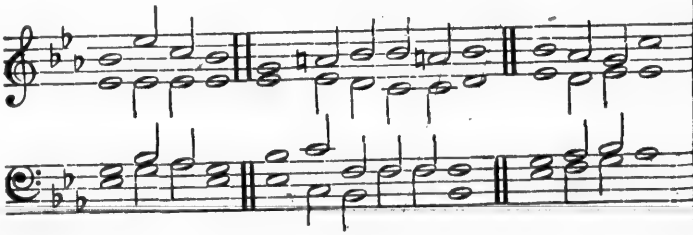
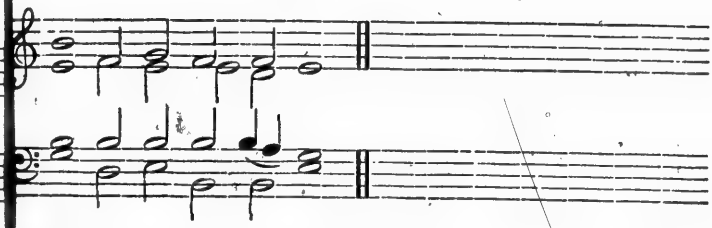
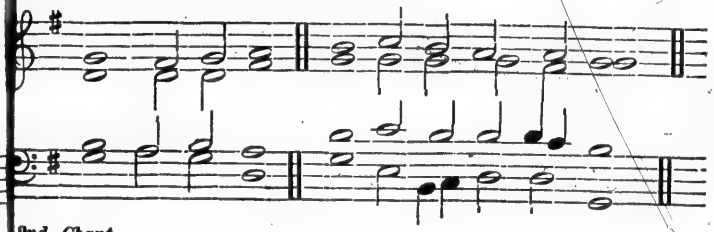
Robinson.





1st. Chant. TE DEUM.



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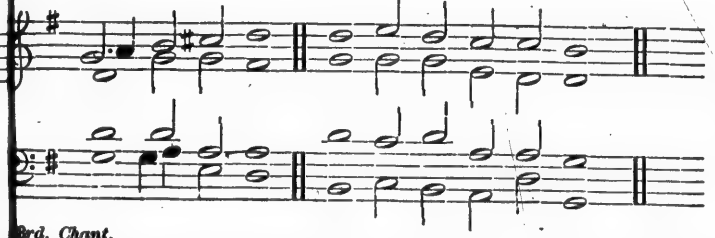

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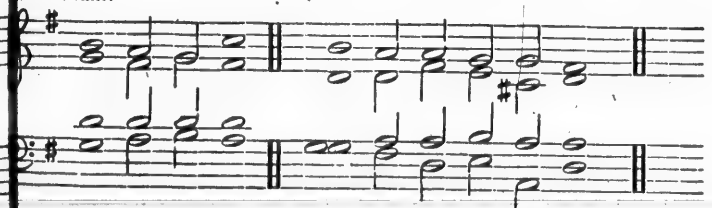
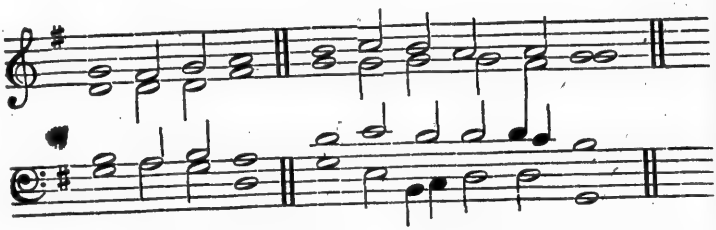


ords and arrangement as before; except the concluding verse, thus:

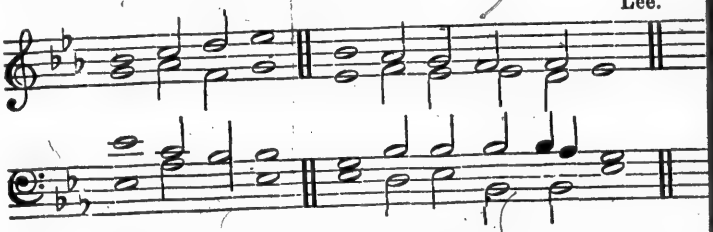


D.C. O Lord, in Thee . have . I . trusted: let me . ne- . ver . be . con- . founded.

BENEDICTUS.

(Zacharias' song of thanksgiving, for the coming of the long promised Deliverer.)

Lee.



D.C. Blessed be the Lord . God . of . Israel: for he hath visited and . re- . deemed . his . people; (4)

D. And hath raised up (1) a mighty sal- . va- . tion . for us: in the house . of . his . ser- . vant . David; (4)

C. As he spake by the mouth (1) of his . ho- . ly . Prophets: which have been . since . the . world . be- . gun; (4)

D. That we should be saved . from . our . enemies: and from the hands . of . all . that . hate us: (4)

(1) Feel that you are all together on this word.
(4) Connect with the following verse.

C. To perform the mercy promised (1) to . our . fore- . fathers : and to re- . member . his . ho- . ly . covenant : (4)

D. To perform the oath which he sware (1) to our fore- . fa- . ther . Abraham : that (5) . he . . . would . give . us ; (4)

C. That we being delivered out of the hand (1) . of . our . enemies : might (5) . serve . him . with- . out . fear : (4)

D. In holiness (1) and righteous- . ness . be- . fore him : all the . days . . . of . our . life.

(The office and work of the Baptist foreshewn.)

C. And thou, Child, (2) shalt be called the Prophet . of . the . Highest : for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord (3) . to . pre- . pare . his . ways : (4)

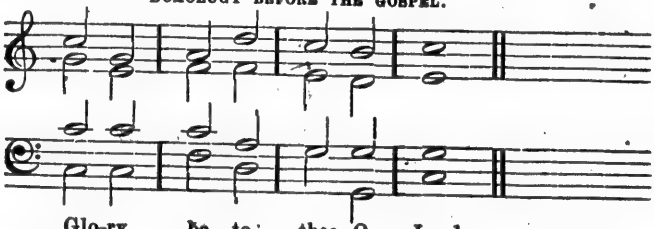
D. To give knowledge of salvation . un- . to . his . people : for the re- . miss- . ion . of . their . sins, (4)

C. Through the tender mercy . of . our . God : whereby the day-spring from on . high . hath . visit- . ed . us (4)

D. To give light to them that sit in darkness (2) and in the . shadow . of . death : and to guide our feet in- . to . the . way . of . peace.

D.C. Glory be to the Father, &c.

DOXOLOGY BEFORE THE GOSPEL.



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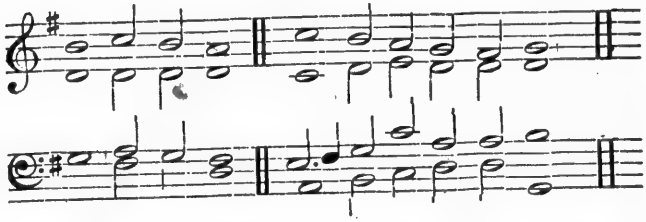
MORNING PRAYER.

Third arrangement :—Third and Fifth Sundays of the Month.

VENITE.

Alcock.



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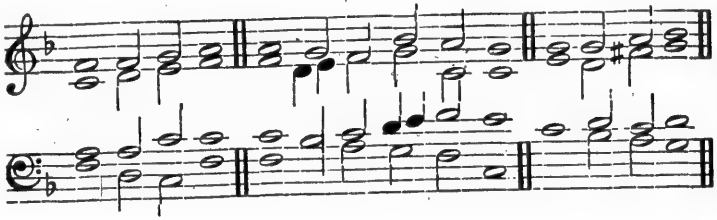

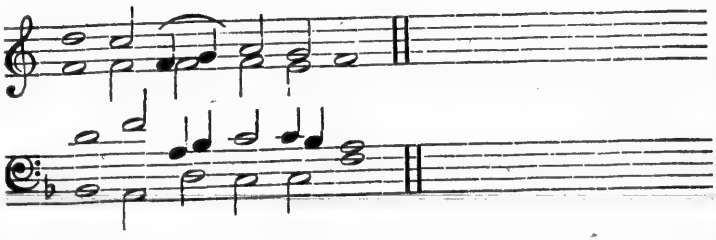

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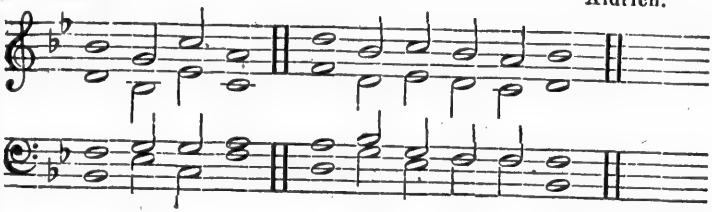
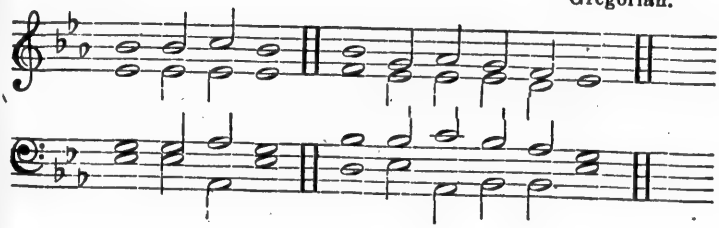


2nd. Chant. Gregorian.



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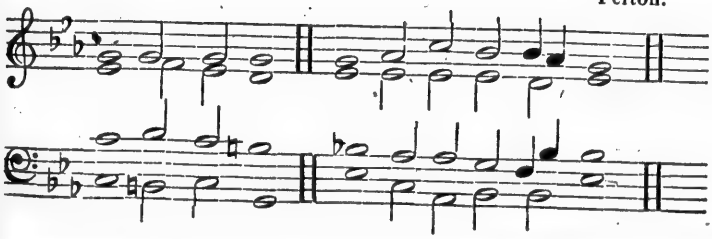

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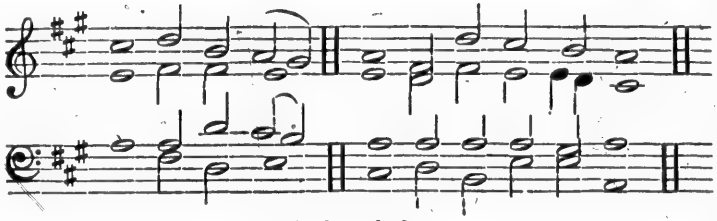

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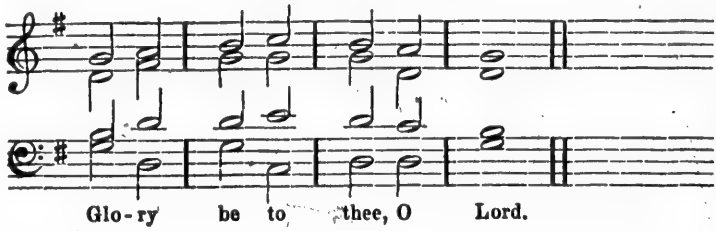

MORNING PRAYER.

Fourth arrangement.—Fourth Sunday in the Month.

VENITE.

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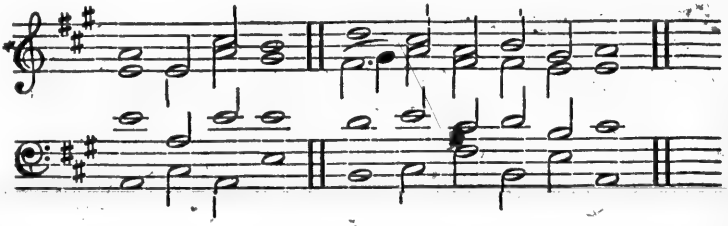

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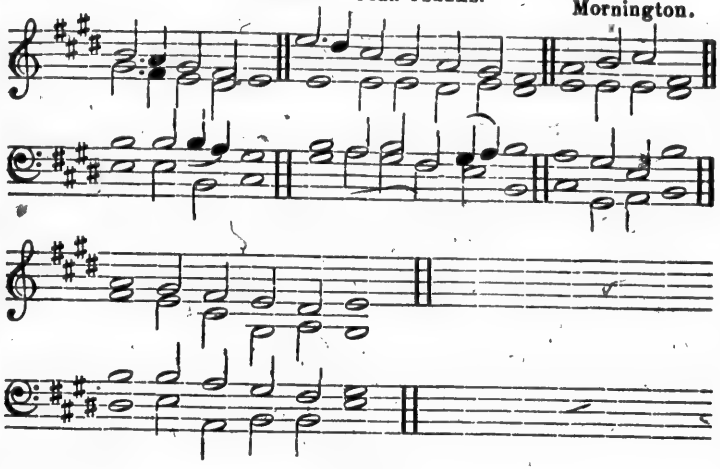

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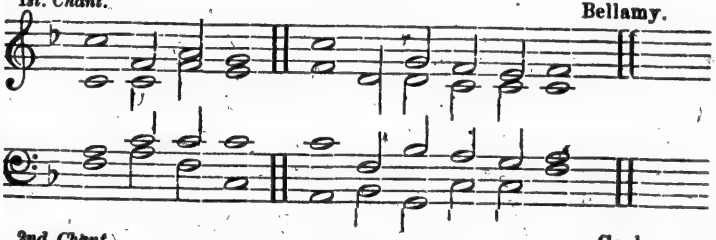

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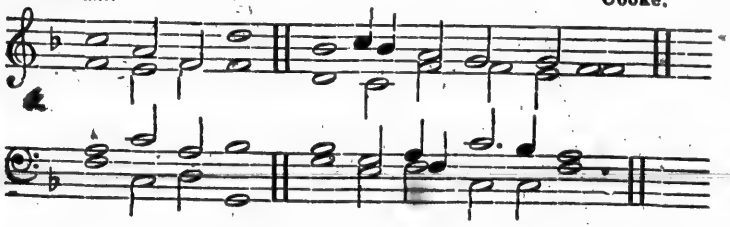

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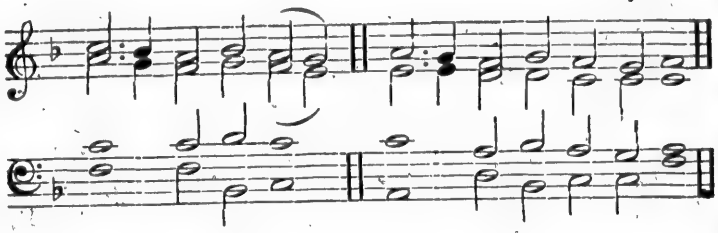

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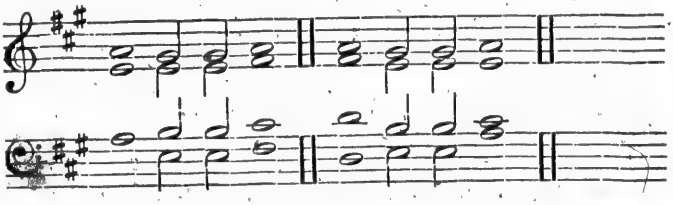
BENEDICITE.

(*See the* SONG OF THE THREE CHILDREN, in the Apocrypha, and compare Daniel C. I. v. 6. 7. and III. 12.)



D.C. O all ye Works of the Lord, . bless . ye the . Lord: praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

C. O ye Angels of the Lord, . bless . ye the . Lord: praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

D. O ye Heavens, . bless . ye the . Lord: praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

C. O ye [illegible] that be above the Firmament, . bless . ye the . Lord: praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

D. O all ye Powers of the Lord, . bless . ye the . Lord: praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

C. O ye Sun, and Moon, . bless . ye the . Lord : praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

D. O ye Stars of Heaven, . bless . ye the . Lord : praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

C. O ye Showers, and Dew, . bless . ye the . Lord : praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

D. O ye winds of God, . bless . ye the . Lord : praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

C. O ye Fire and Heat, . bless . ye the . Lord : praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

D. O ye Winter and Summer, . bless . ye the . Lord : praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

C. O ye Dews, and Frosts, . bless . ye the . Lord : praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

D. O ye Frost and Cold, . bless . ye the . Lord : praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

C. O ye Ice and Snow, . bless . ye the . Lord : praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

D. O ye Nights, and Days, . bless . ye the . Lord : praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

C. O ye Light and Darkness, . bless . ye the . Lord : praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

D. O ye Lightnings, and Clouds, . bless . ye the . Lord : praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

C. O let the Earth . bless . the . Lord : yea, let it praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

D. O ye Mountains, and Hills, . bless . ye the . Lord : praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

C. O all ye Green Things upon the Earth, . bless . ye the . Lord : praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

D. O ye Wells, . bless . ye the . Lord : praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

C. O ye Seas, and Floods, . bless . ye the . Lord : praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

D. O ye Whales, and all that move in the Waters, . bless . ye the . Lord : praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

C. O all ye Fowls of the Air, . bless . ye the . Lord : praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

D. O all ye Beasts, and Cattle, . bless . ye the . Lord : praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

D.C. O ye Children of Men, . bless . ye the . Lord : praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

D.C. O let Israel . bless . the . Lord : praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

C. O ye Priests of the Lord, . bless . ye the . Lord : praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

D. O ye Servants of the Lord, . bless . ye the . Lord : praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

C. O ye Spirits and Souls of the Righteous, . bless . ye the . Lord : praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

D. O ye holy and humble Men of heart, . bless . ye the . Lord : praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

C. O Ananias, Azarias, and Misael, . bless . ye the . Lord : praise him, and magnify . him . for . ever.

D.C. Glory be to the Father, (2) and . to . the . Son : and to the . Ho- . ly . Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, (2) is now, (2) and . ev- . er . shall be : world without . end. . A- . men.

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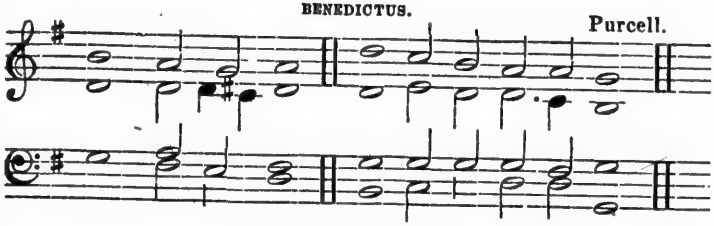
BENEDICTUS.

Purcell.



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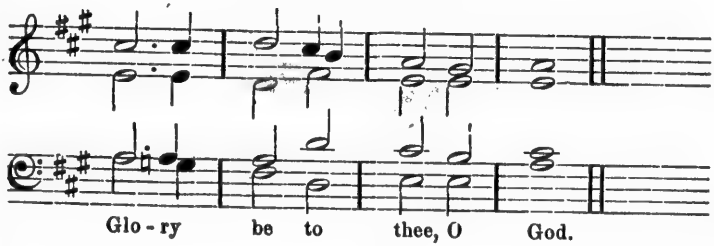
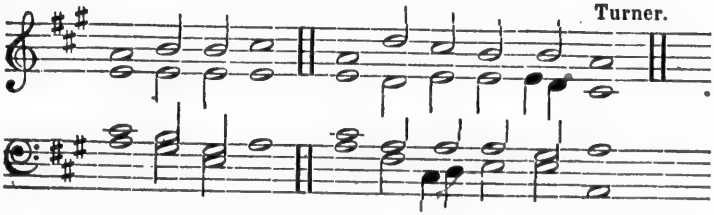


INSTEAD OF VENITE—EASTER-DAY.

Turner.



D.C. Christ our Passover (1) is . sacri- . ficed . for us : therefore . let . us . keep . the . feast ; (4)

(1) Feel that you are all together on this word.
(4) Connect with the following verse.

D. Not with the old leaven, (2) nor with the leaven (1) of . malice . and . wickedness : but with the unleavened bread (3) of sin- . ce- . ri- . ty . and . truth.

C. Christ being raised from the dead, . dieth . no . more : death hath no more do- . mi- . nion . o- . ver . him.

D. For in that he died (2) he died un- . to . sin . once : but in that he liveth, (2) he . liv- . eth . un- . to . God.

C. Likewise reckon ye also yourselves (1) to be dead indeed . un- . to . sin : but alive unto God, (2) through . Je- . sus . Christ . our . Lord.

D. Christ is risen . from . the . dead : and become the first . fruits . of . them . that . slept.

C. For since, by . man . came . death : by man came also (1) the resur- . rect- . ion (3) . of . the . dead.

D. For as in . Adam . all . die : even so in Christ (1) shall . all . be . made . a- . live.

D.C. Glory be to the Father, (2) and . to . the . Son : and (5) . to . the . Ho- . ly . Ghost : (4)

As it was in the beginning, (2) is now, (2) and . ev- . er . shall be : world without . end. . A- . men.

NOTE. *When the* ATHANASIAN CREED *is said, use the same Doxology, which has been used after the Psalms for the day.*

(1) Feel that you are all together on this word.
(2) Mind the stop, but don't pause too long on it.
(3) Take a very light breath.
(4) Connect with the following verse.
(5) Make the word or syllable short.

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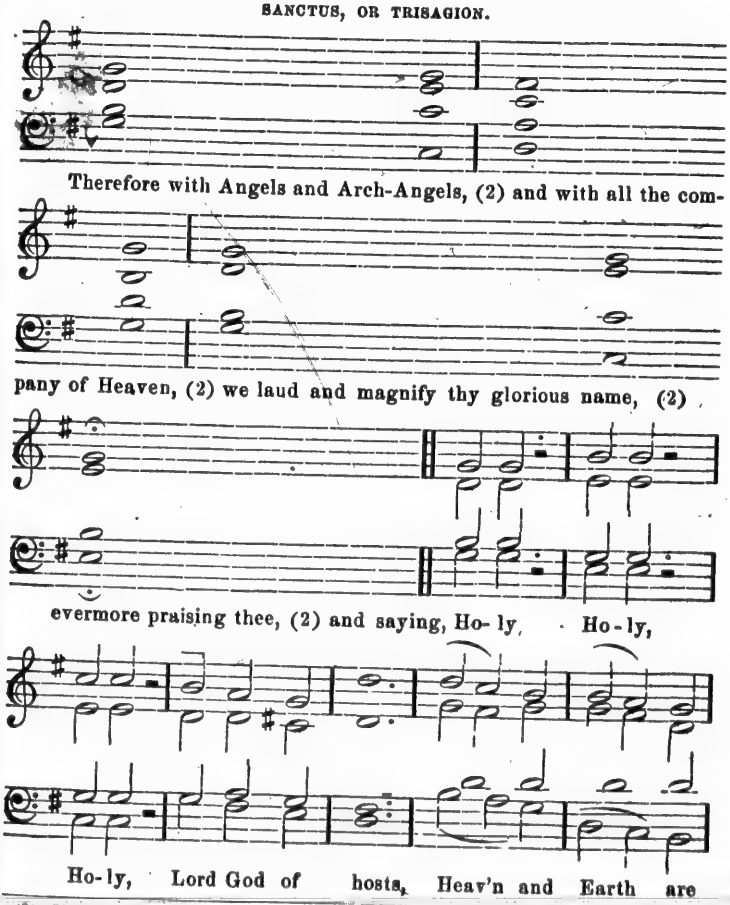
SANCTUS, OR TRISAGION.



(2) Mind the stop, but don't pause too long on it.

full of thy glo-ry, are full of thy glo-ry.

Glo-ry be to Thee, O Lord most

repeat p. p.

High. A - men.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS.

Glory be to God on high, (2) and in earth peace, (2) good will towards

(2) Mind the stop, but don't pause too long on it.

glo - ry.

Lord most

) good will towards

men. We praise thee, (2) we bless thee, (2) we worship thee;

We glorify thee, (2) we give thanks to thee, (3) for thy great

glory, (2) O Lord God, (2) heavenly King, (2) God the Father

Almighty. * O Lord, (2) the only begotten Son, (2) Jesu Christ,

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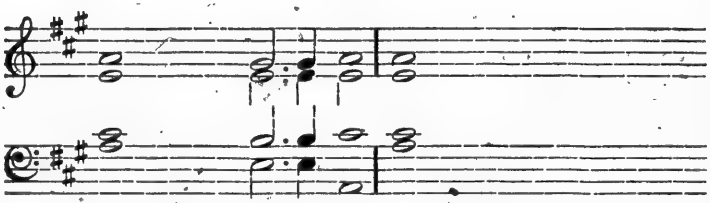
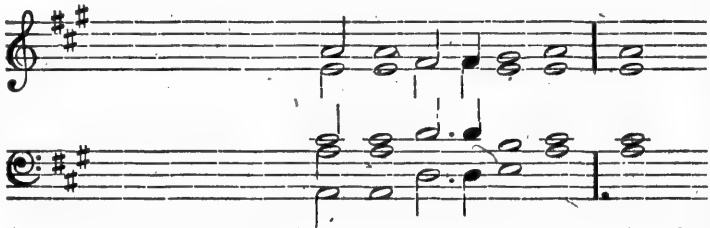
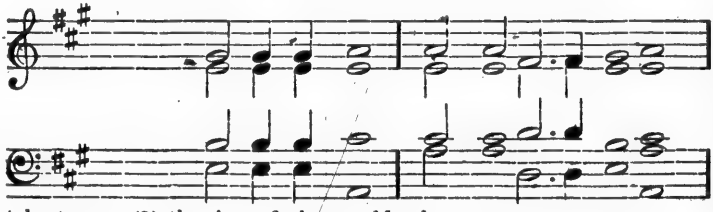
(3) Take a very light breath.
* Remember the paragraphs: refer to your Prayer book



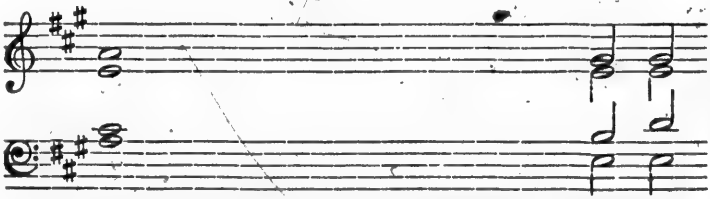
O Lord God, (2) Lamb of God, Son of the Father, (2) that takest



away the sins of the world, (2) have mer-cy up-on us: Thou that



takest away (3) the sins of the world, have mer-cy up-on us:



Thou that takest away the sins of the world, (2) receive our

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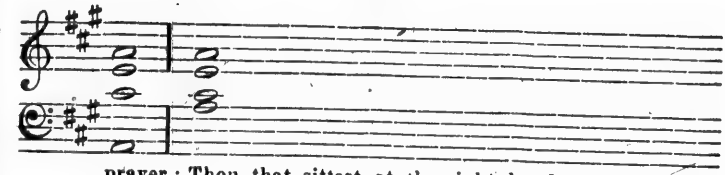
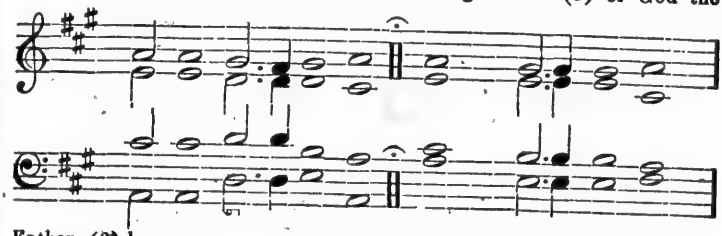
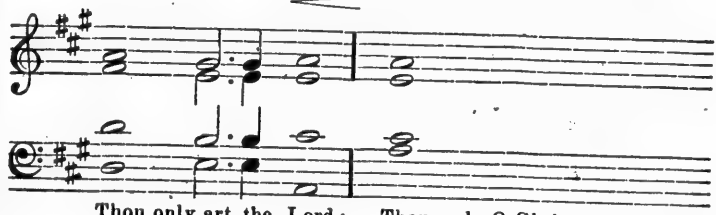
(3) Take a very light breath.



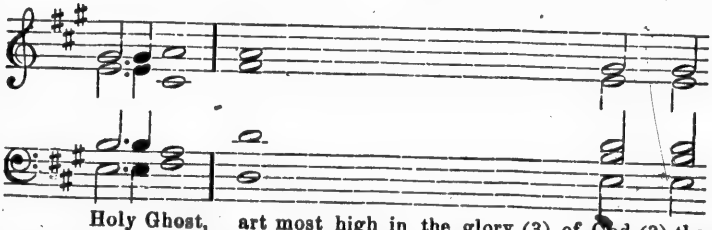
prayer ; Thou that sittest at the right hand (3) of God the



Father, (2) have mer-cy up-on us. * For Thou only art holy,



Thou only art the Lord : Thou only O Christ, (2) with the



Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory (3) of God (3) the

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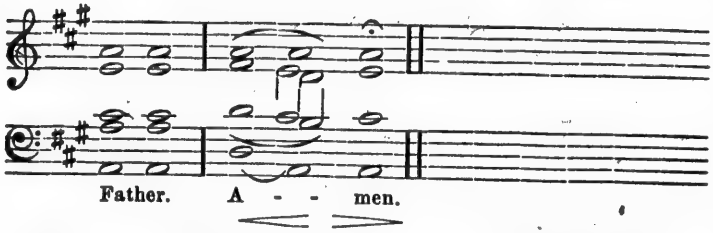
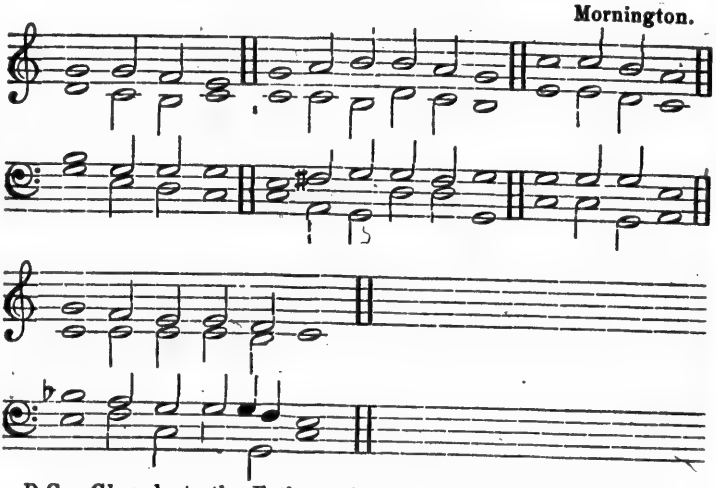
(3) Take a very light breath.



EVENING PRAYER.

First arrangement.—First Sunday in the Month.

DOXOLOGY AFTER THE PSALMS.



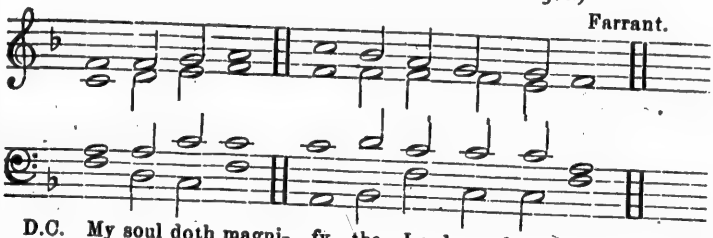
D.C. Glory be to the Father, (2) and . to . the . Son : and (5) . to . the . Ho- . ly . Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, (2) is now, (2) and . e-. ver . shall be : world . with- . out . end. . A- . men.

MAGNIFICAT.

(Song of Thanksgiving of the Blessed Virgin.)

Farrant.



D.C. My soul doth magni- . fy . the . Lord : and my spirit hath re- . joiced . in . God . my . Saviour.

D. For he . hath . re- . garded : the lowli- . ness . of . his . hand- . maiden.

C. For behold, . from . hence- . forth : all gene- . rations . shall . call . me . blessed.

D. For he that is mighty hath . mag- . ni- . fied me : and (5) . ho- . ly . is . his . name.

C. And his mercy is on . them . that . fear him : through- (5) . out . all . ge- . ne- . rations.

D. He hath showed strength . with . his . arm : he hath scattered the proud (1) in the imagi- . na- . tion . of . their . hearts.

C. He hath put down the mighty . from . their . seat : and hath ex- . alted . the . humble . and . week.

D. He hath filled the hungry . with . good . things : and the rich he . hath . sent . empty . a- . way.

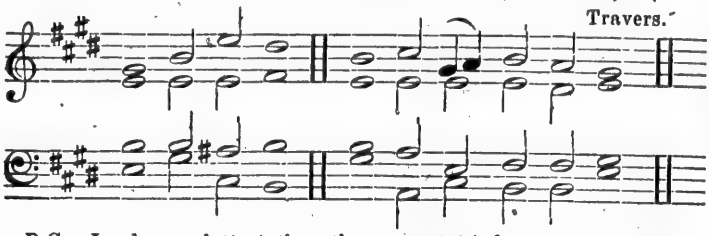
C. He, remembering his mercy, (2) hath holpen (1) his . ser- . vant . Israel : as he promised to our forefathers, (2) Abraham . and . his . seed, . for . ever.

D.C. Glory be to the Father, &c.

NUNC DIMITTIS.

(Simeon's devout joy at having seen the infant JESUS.)

Travers.



D.C. Lord now lettest then thy servant (1) de- . part . in . peace : ac- (5) . cord- . ing . to . thy . word.

C. For mine . eyes . have . seen : thy . . . . . sal- . vation. (4)

D. Which thou . hast . pre- . pared : before the . face . . . of . all . people.

C. To be a light (1) to . lighten . the . gentiles : and to be the glory . of . thy . peo- . ple . Israel.

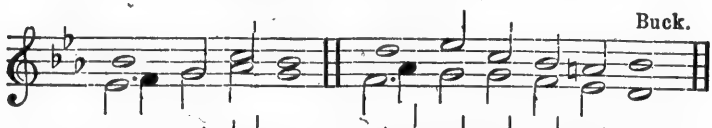
D.C. Glory be to the Father, &c.

EVENING PRAYER.

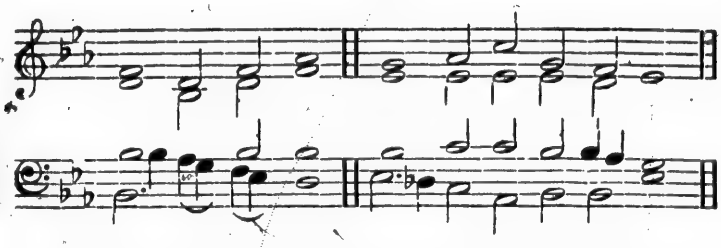
Second arrangement.—Second Sunday in the Month.

DOXOLOGY AFTER PSALMS.

Buck.



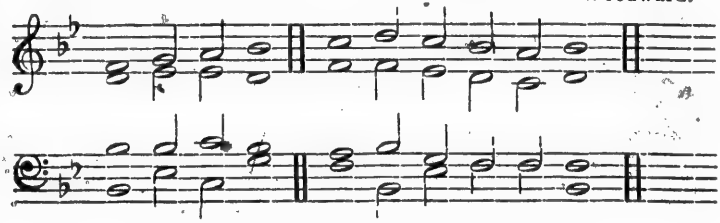
(1) Feel that you are all together on this word.
(4) Connect with the following verse.
(5) Make the word or syllable short.



CANTATE.

(A psalm of Thanksgiving for victory : foreshews Christ's coming.)

Woodward.



(Commemoration of the glorious acts of God.)

D.C. O sing unto the Lord (3) a . new . . . song : for he . hath . done . marvel- . lous . things.

D. With his own right hand (3) and with his . ho- . ly . arm : hath he . gotten . him- . self . the . victory.

C. The Lord declared . his . sal- . vation : his righteousness hath he openly shewed (3) in the . sight . . . of . the . heathen.

D. He hath remembered his mercy and truth (3) toward the . house . of . Israel : and all the ends of the world have seen the sal- . va- . tion (3) . of . our . God.

(3) Take a very light breath.

(*General exhortation to thankfulness.*)

C. Show yourselves joyful unto the Lord, . all . ye . lands : sing, (2) re- . joice . . . and . give . thanks.

D. Praise the Lord up- . on . the . harp : sing to the harp (3) with a . psalm . of . thanks- . . . giving.

C. With trumpets . also . and . shawms : O show yourselves joyful (3) be- . fore . the . Lord . the . King.

D. Let the Sea make a noise, (2) and all that . there- . in . is : the round world, (2) and . they . that . dwell . there- . in.

(*Christ's comings past and future.*)

C. Let the floods clap their hands, (2) and let the hills be joyful together (3) be- . fore . the . Lord : for he . cometh . to . judge . the . earth.

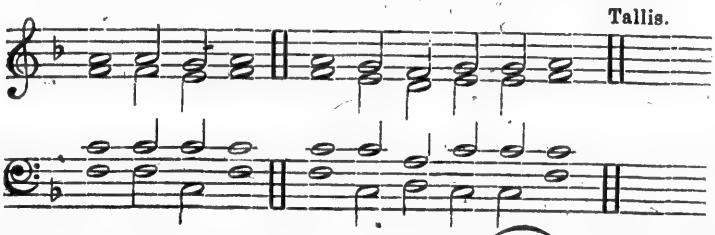
D. With righteousness shall be . judge . the . world : and the . people . with . e- . qui- . ty.

D.C. Glory be to the Father, &c.

DEUS MISEREATUR.

(*Prayer for the spread of God's truth : compare also* 1. Tim. 4. 8.)

Tallis.



D.C. God be merciful unto . us, (2) . and . bless us : and show us he light of his countenance, (2) and be . merci- . ful . un- . to . us :

(2) Mind the stop, but don't pause too long on it.
(3) Take a very light breath.

C. That thy way be known (1) . up- . on . earth : thy saving . health . a- . mong . all . nations.

D. Let the people praise . Thee, . O . God : yea, let . all . the . peo- . ple . praise Thee.

C. O let the nations rejoice, . and . be . glad : for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, (2) and govern the . na- . tions . up- . on . earth.

D. Let the people praise . Thee, . O . God : yea, let . all . the . peo- . ple . praise Thee.

C. Then shall the earth bring . forth . her . increase : and God, (2) even our own God, . shall . give . us . his . blessing.

D. God (5) . shall . bless . us : and all the ends . of . the . world (3) . shall . fear him.

D.C. Glory be to the Father, (2) and . to . the . Son : and to the . Ho- . ly . Ghost ;

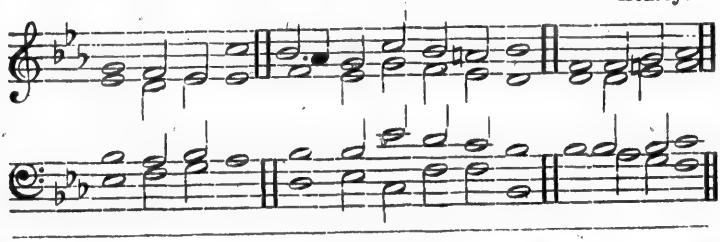
As it was in the beginning, (2) is now, (2) and . ev- . er . shall be : world without . end. . A- . men.

EVENING PRAYER.

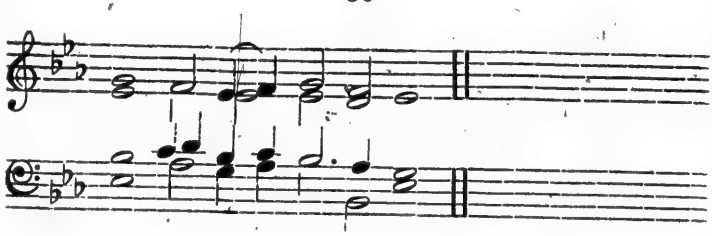
Third arrangement.—Third and Fifth Sunday of the Month.

DOXOLOGY.

Henley.



(2) Mind the stop, but don't pause too long on it.
(3) Take a very slight breath.
(5) Make the word or syllable short.



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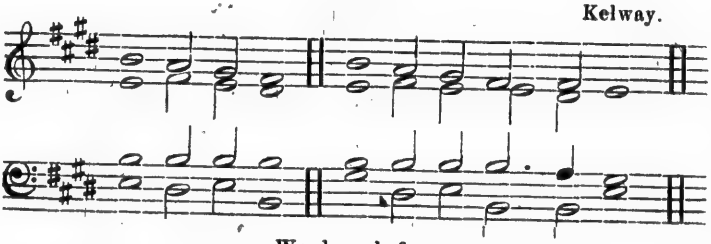
Kelway.



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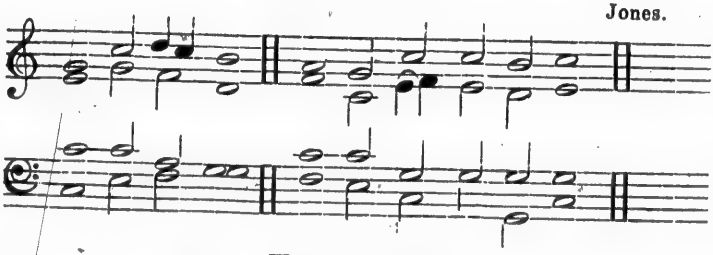
DEUS MISEREATUR.

Jones.



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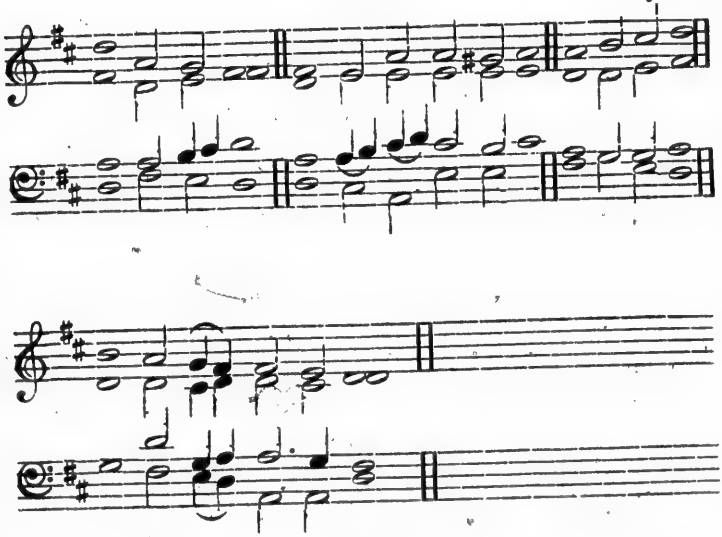
EVENING PRAYER.

Fourth arrangement.—Fourth Sunday of the Month.

DOXOLOGY.

Boyce.



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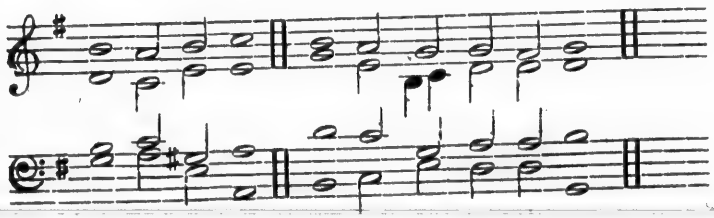

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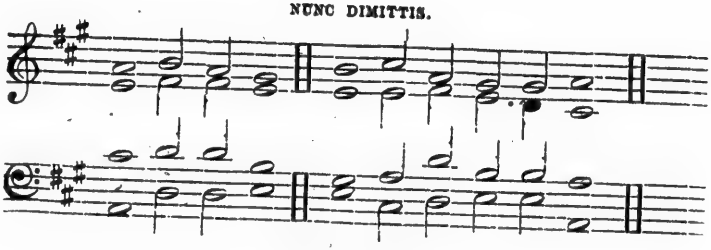

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APPENDIX.

The following hints may be useful in Psalm and Hymn singing.

1. Select the tune according to the character of the psalm or hymn—a lively tune for a song of praise, e. g. Psalm 98.; a more solemn tune (without any drawling,) for a weightier subject, e. g. Psalm 100 or 150.; a plaintive tune to a penitential psalm, e. g. Psalm 51, or Psalm 90.

2. If such psalms at the 51st and 67th be sung to the same tune (which the metre admits), the effect will be some thing worse than absurd.

3. Breathing and punctuation are as necessary to observe here, as in chanting, thus:

Let every | creature (breathe secretly) jointly bless (breathe secretly)
The mighty Lord: (stop) and thou my heart (breathe secretly)
With grateful joy (breathe secretly) thy thanks express, &c.

(Not as, alas! one sometimes hears, Let every crea- (breath) ture jointly bless (stop) the mighty Lord (no stop beyond taking breath), and thou my heart (stop), &c., &c.)

4. Vowels are sounds: consonants produce distinctness, but they stop the sound.

5. The letter *s* especially produces a most unpleasant sensation, if the vowel preceding be not fully sounded. e. g.

Our sin*s*, though number*less* in vain
To stop thy flowing mercy try;
Whil*st* Thou o'erlook'*st* the guilty stain,
And *washest* out the crimson dye.

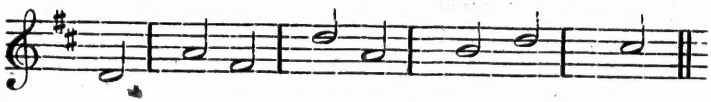
Oh! let thy table honour'd be,
And furnish'd well with joyful *guests!*
And may *each* soul salvation see,
That here *its* sacred pledges *tastes*.

Sing these verses pronouncing the vowels or diphthongs in the syllables italicised, first briefly, and then fully, and note the difference.

6. In singing, a fulness and roundness of the vowel is often desirable, which in mere reading would be quite out of character.

7. Practice the music in strict time, a little faster than it ought to be sung.

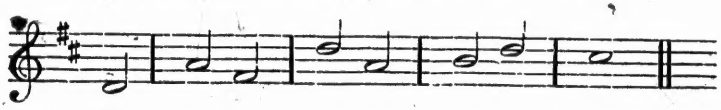
8. Be careful not to tail the notes into one another, sing so :



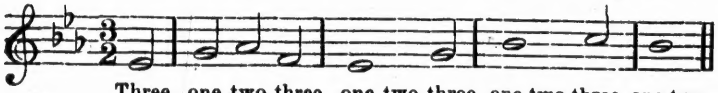
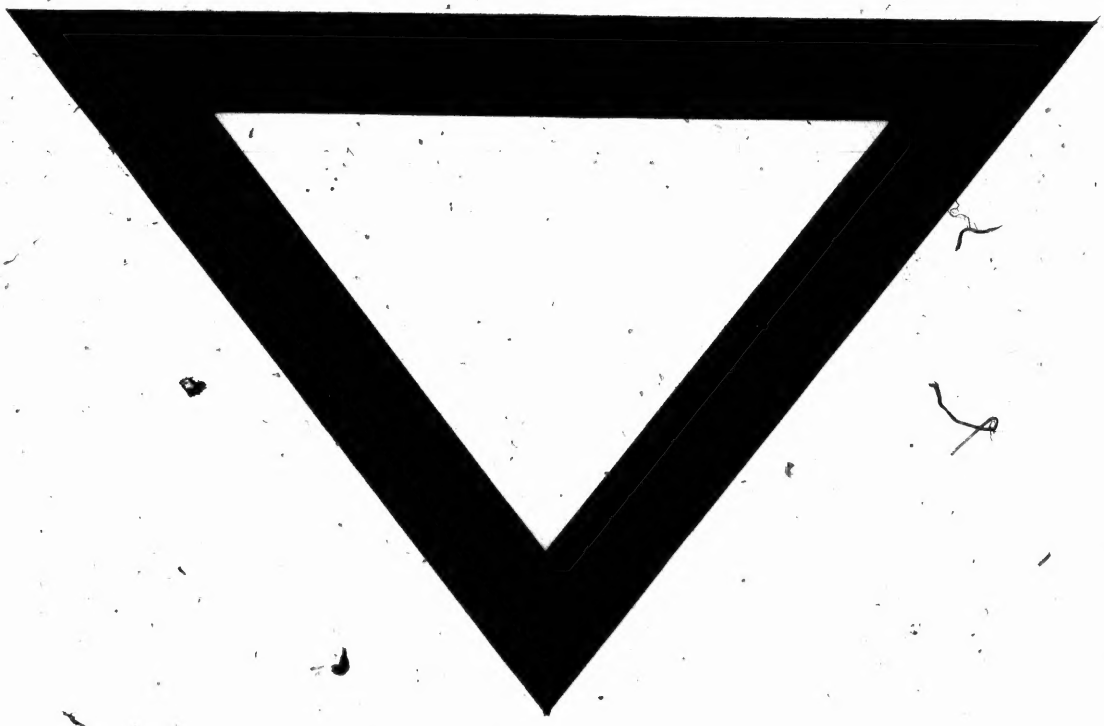
not so :

every note clear and distinct.

9. Let the Leader count the time. If the tune drags, let the whole of the singers once or twice sing and count together, thus :



Two one two, one two, one two, one two.



Three, one two three, one two three, one two three, one two.